

# AGENDA

LITIGATION SECTION OF THE STATE BAR  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
9am to 1pm SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2008  
CROWN POINT ROOM  
HYATT REGENCY MISSION BAY  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CHAIR'S COMMENTS (Mark Mellor) 9:00 a.m.

2. CONSENT AGENDA 9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

a. Approval of the Minutes of the December 9-10, 2007 retreat

b. Financial Report

3. **BUSINESS MATTERS - 2008 INITIATIVES**

A. TECHNOLOGY (Nylen / Wright) 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

1. **PROJECTS/AGENDA:**

- a. Single Point of contact with Michael Mullen for Section
- b. State Bar Website will be modified to make the sections more prominent
- c. Drive Website Development and Web Content
  - o Provide more services online
- d. Prepare report on technological capabilities of each courtroom in California
  - o Email Judges for responses on each courtroom
- e. Prepare Litigation Update & Online MCLE/Programming
  - o Pod cast each month's version of Lit Update for MCLE Credit online
- f. Teleconference via video at Ex Com meetings.
- g. List Serve for Committees make list serve robust

- h. Designate Single Point of contact with Michael Mullen for Section
- i. Drive Website Development and Web Content
- j. Website Development and Web Content
- k. Report on technological capabilities of each courtroom in California
  - o Email Judges for responses on each courtroom
- l. Outreach
  - To Local, county, and Specialty Bars throughout the State:
  - Minority Participation/Representation
- m. Prepare Litigation Update & Online MCLE/Programming
  - o Pod casting each month's version of Lit Update for MCLE Credit online
- n.. Teleconference via video at Ex Com meetings.
- o. List Serve for Committees make list serve robust
- p. E-Blast to Section announcing push to e-filing State Courts;
  - bullet points for section ideas/welcome letter?

## **B. NEW and SMALL FIRM PRACTITIONERS**

(Bodzin/England/Cappelluti) 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 p.m.

### **1. PROJECTS/AGENDA:**

- a. Improving the practice of law
- b. Best Practices (Rob Bodzin/Betsy England)
- c. Sponsorship for programs in Riverside/Fresno
- d. Tangible Benefits
- e. Relevant Programming
- f. Prepare Guide for New Lawyers (Lisa Cappelluti)
- g. How to function in Law Firm;
- h. How to Make Appearances;
- i. How to write a brief; etc.
- j. Two Programs Northern Feb 20; Southern June 5.
- k. Faculty Advisors For Law Students??
- l. New young lawyer content on website??
- m. Litigation CLE Proposal (R. Best)
- n. Prepare Guide on E-Discovery Rules/Practices for Members (Richard Best)

C. **OUTREACH** (Geibleson/Robles) 10:45 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

1. **PROJECTS/AGENDA:**

- a. Decentralized outreach for Section Programming
- b. Provide local bars with relevant programming and e-content (Sagafi/Geibleson)
- c. Break 10,000 membership
  - o Doubling membership in certain underserved counties e.g. Riverside/San Bernardino etc.
  - o Reasons for people joining 65% Publications/Education 35% from Survey
- d. Develop more diversity (Sagafi/Geibleson)

D. **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS** (Misc.) 11:30 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1. **PROJECTS/AGENDA:**

- a. Prepare letter to membership regarding member fees, programs brochure, and benefits to members renewing in February (Dec 15/Jan 15) (Mellor)
- b. Financial Freedom
  - a. \$ in sponsorships for section activities (Bodzin/Per Program)
- c. Letter to members summarizing choices for choosing trial lawyer of the year and why? (Marks/Mellor)
- d. Disk Drive for CD Program for members this year? (Nylen)
- e. Crisis in Riverside Courts! (Mellor)
- f. Attorney Client Protection under siege! (Jahan Sagafi, Dale Cambell, Michael Geibleson, Jerry Sapiro)
- g. Monitor legislation that has an adverse impact on the practice of law
  - b. Attorney-Client protection under attack!
  - c. E-discovery Rules\*

4. **LUNCH** 11:45 p.m. TO 12:15 p.m.

5. **BUSINESS MATTERS - ACTION ITEMS FOR MEETING** 12:00 p.m. to 12:15 p.m.

- a. Best Practices Program, Riverside/Fresno (R. Bodzin, E. England)  
1) sponsorships
- b. Legal Coaching Program, "What They Didn't Teach You in Law School" (Lisa Cappelluti)
- c. Legal London & Legal Asia (Don Barber)
- d. Proposed e-discovery, Rules and Legislation (R Best, D. Campbell, J. Sagafi, S.Sacks)
- e. E-discovery /CLE resources: One page brochure or twenty page booklet  
( Richard Best)
- f. Executive Committee Applications (M Mellor)

6. **BUSINESS MATTERS - REPORTING ITEMS** 12:15 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- a. Rules and Legislation Subcommittee (Campbell, Geibelson, Sagafi)
  - 1. State or Federal Court Rules Initiatives
  - 2. California Law Revision Commission Initiatives
- b. Free CD Program for members this year. (Greg Nylen)
- c. Commission on Revision of the Rules of Professional Conduct  
Attorney client privilege under siege (Jerry Sapiro)
- d. Education and Program Committee (Norm Rodich)
  - 1. Section Education Institute
  - 2. Annual Meeting Monterey, Sept 25-28, 2008
- e. Law Suits Program (Norm Rodich)

- f. Council of State Bar Sections ( Jackie Wright)
  - g. Litigation Review 2007 ( Mike Fabiano )
  - h. California Litigation (Sharon Arkin)
  - i. Litigation Update (W.Rylaarsdam, M.Mellor)
  - j. Trial Lawyer Hall of Fame Award & Dinner (P. Marks)
    - 1. Assign someone to assemble materials
  - k. Alternative Dispute Resolution (C. Berwanger)
  - l. Insurance Staff Counsel (Carol Kuluva)
  - m. Technology Committee (Nysten/Seabolt)
  - n. Outreach ( M. Geibelson)
    - 1. Report on "Brown Bag" Lunches (C.Berwanger)
- [ January 24, 2008: Hon. Anthony J. Battaglia,,  
San Diego Federal Courthouse]

5. NEXT MEETING – March 1, 2008, Oakland Airport Hilton

ADJOURNMENT (1:00p.m.)